

FISCAL NOTE

HB 3190 - SB 3582

February 21, 2008

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires county mayors to make at least five percent more than any county elected official. Requires the county mayor to devote full-time to the position.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase Local Expenditures* – Up to \$5,454,900

Assumptions:

- General Sessions's judges are generally the highest paid official in each county.
- According to the Administrative Office of the Courts, the current compensation for General Sessions's judges is \$112,161.
- An increase in the county mayors's salary at five percent above those of General Sessions's judges will cause the average county mayors's salary to be \$117,770. County mayors's salaries will be \$11,188,102 statewide.
- According to the County Technical Assistance Service (CTAS), the current minimum compensation of county mayors is \$60,350. Current expenditures for county mayors's salaries statewide is at least \$5,733,250 (\$60,350 salary x 95 counties = \$5,733,250). Mayors's salaries may already be above the minimum compensation, but CTAS is unable to determine how many mayors's salaries are already above the minimum.
- Local expenditures will increase up to \$5,454,852 (\$11,188,102 salary statewide after increase - \$5,733,250 current minimum statewide salary = \$5,454,852).

*Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: *no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.*

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" and last name "White" clearly legible, and "W." in the middle.

James W. White, Executive Director

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